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PRESIDING JUDGE NAMED IN FIRST JUDICIAL DISTRICT

Logan, UT---Judge Thomas L. Willmore has been named presiding judge for the First District Court effective July 1, 2006 through June 30, 2008. Judge Willmore replaces Judge Ben Hadfield. Judge Larry Jones will continue as presiding judge in the First District Juvenile Court.

The presiding judge is responsible for the effective operation of their court. According to court Rule 3-104, presiding judges are responsible for implementation and enforcement of statutes, rules, policies, and directives of the Judicial Council as they pertain to the administration of the courts. The presiding judge is responsible for assigning cases and judges. Presiding judges are elected by a majority vote of the judges of their court.

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